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Behind the Lines

The Alumni circuit leaves impressions on anyone caught up in it.

There is Dr. J. Render Turner introducing Dr. Robert (Pop) Waller who has two children and wondering why he, with 11 children, has no such nickname.

Or hearing excellent suggestions such as Dr. Murphy's in Savannah about MCG putting in an 800 extension exchange line for incoming calls throughout the State.

There is the kind of loyalty which had Dr. and Mrs. Frost driving all the way from Swainsboro to the Savannah Regional meeting.

And the kind of support voiced quietly and briefly by Dr. Zeb McDaniel in Albany as he stood to say, "We have heard the man's problem (Dr. Moretz) now let's get behind him and help solve it."

Dr. Robert Waller, in his capacity as president of the Alumni Association, and his wife, Hazel, driving throughout the State to support the campaign.

Mrs. Laura Moretz always at her husband's side as he launches into efforts which will build a foundation of support for MCG which will be, perhaps, more appreciated in the future than today.

The ever present faces of those who annually support MCG through attendance at these meetings and with their economic resources. They are paying their dues to the future of medical education and health care in Georgia.

And there were high points of personal pleasure in such things as the Chatham Club buffet . . . hearing Dr. John Bell describe at the Macon meeting how he delivered a baby in a thunderstorm and complete darkness one evening . . . the public statements of support from Regents throughout the State—especially those words of Sam Way III, "I don't know of a dollar with more leverage than an endowment dollar to help attain greatness for a School."

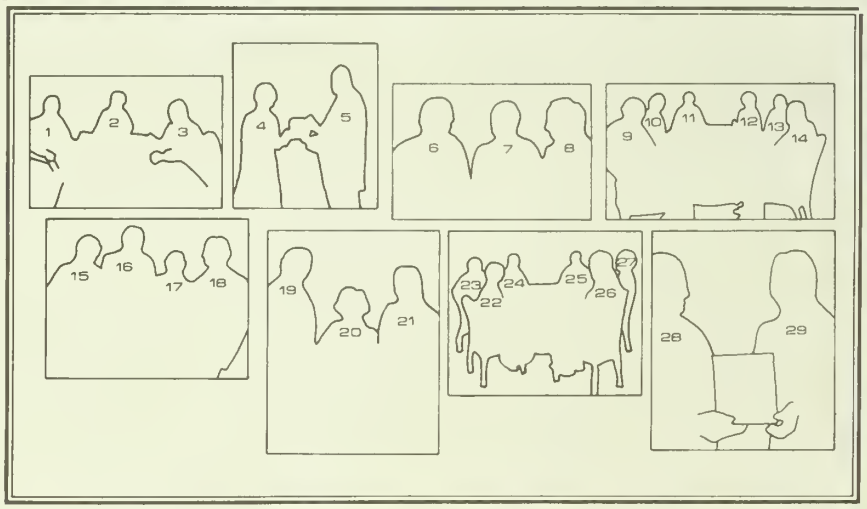
It wasn't all pleasant; The movie snapped in two at Valdosta at the midway point, . . I fell off the rostrum in Macon despite only two glasses of ginger ale . . . the long early morning drives in darkness . . . days away from the family . . .

It continues to be worthwhile to go out and meet with and give alumni an opportunity to talk with MCG officials. Nothing replaces being able to talk face-to-face about the College and how it might continue to serve the State in the best manner.

Our works continues with Dr. Harold Harrison of Atlanta serving as president of the Foundation and Dr. George Green of Sparta as president of the Medical Alumni Association. They are stepping into big shoes left by their predecessors, Dr. Irving Victor of Savannah and Dr. Robert Waller, Albany.

I know the fellow officers of these men and all the alumni will back their efforts to make the $3 million endowment campaign a success and to carry out the day-by-day operations of the two vital organizations.

—JCA



ON THE COVER. Some of the Alumni, faculty and friends of MCG who have gathered throughout the year in support of the Sesquicentennial Campaign are on the cover of this issue. They are identified top-left to right, (1) Dr. J. Miller Byne, (2) Mrs. Curtis H. Carter (3) Dr. Curtis H. Carter; (4) Mrs. Sherman Drawdy receiving plaque of appreciation honoring her late husband from (5) Dr. William H. Moretz; (6) Dr. Moretz, (7) Mr. James B. Williams, president of the Trust Company of Georgia Associates and (8) Dr. Irving Victor, president of the MCG Foundation, Inc.; (9) Dr. David A. Wells, Dalton, (10) Dr. Lois T. Ellison, (11) Dr. Robert G. Ellison, (12) Mrs. Daniel B. Sullivan, (13) Dr. Sullivan, (14) Mrs. David A. Wells. Bottom-left to right, (15) Dr. Earl L. Warren, chairman of the New York alumni meeting with (16) Dr. Moretz, (17) Dr. David Steinberg, and (18) Mr. James C. Austin, director of the Division of Institutional Relations; (19) Dr. Moretz and (21) Mr. Austin presenting plaque to retiring Foundation Secretary (20) Mary M. Lewis; (22) Mrs. Judson C. Hickey and (23) Dr. Hickey, dean of the School of Dentistry at MCG, (24) Mrs. W. Frank McKemie, (25) Dr. McKemie, (27) Mrs. Jack D. (Florence) Rosser and (26) Mr. Rosser; (28) Dr. Victor presents (29) Dr. J. Render Turner of LaGrange a plaque of appreciation for his outstanding contribution to the Foundation during the past several years.

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The following is a photo essay of annual Alumni Regional Dinners held throughout Georgia in 1974 and also in Jacksonville, Fla. and New York. These dinners will continue through most of 1974 with meetings planned in Atlanta, Augusta and several out-of-state regions.

The Alumni Visited 1974

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Alumni Response Is Enthusiastic

Eighteen MCG Annual Alumni Regional meetings attracted 859 alumni and guests during 1974 with several areas yet to be scheduled.

The 18 meetings throughout Georgia and also in Jacksonville, Fla. and in New York have emphasized the endowment fund campaign.

With the Augusta, three Atlanta area and several out-of-state meetings yet to be scheduled during the remainder of the year, attendance is expected to surpass 1,000 and mark a new high in contact between MCG and its alumni.

President William H. Moretz has attended all 18 meetings and Dr. Curtis Carter, dean of the School of Medicine has either attended or had a representative at each session.

Campaign results among alumni amount to $131,976 with $128,577 of that coming from alumni personally contacted, and the remainder coming from alumni who, though not at a regional meeting nor contacted personally, contributed. Gifts in the campaign have ranged from $30,000 down.

Dr. Moretz continues to stress the vital need for "a beginning" in endowment for MCG's long-range future. He also is asking alumni to give, not only in dollars, but in percentage of participation in order to place the campaign on a solid footing when it enters the business and industry phase. □

Where It Stands

Region	Chairmen	June 25, 1974 Present Total
Savannah	Dr. Irving Victor Dr. J. C. Metts, Sr. Dr. Julian K. Quattlebaum	$18,900
Albany	Dr. Robert Waller Dr. J. Z. McDaniel Dr. William H. Bridges	6,610
Valdosta	Dr. Richard L. Nutt	12,500
Rome	Dr. James Smith Dr. Henry Lucas (dinner chairman)	8,577
Columbus-LaGrange	Dr. J. Render Turner Dr. Hoke Wammock Dr. Floyd Jarrell Dr. Roy Waller	51,500
Gainesville	Dr. B. S. Hardman Dr. Harvey Newman (dinner chairman)	4,000
Waycross	Dr. Neal Yeomans Dr. Ivey Jacobs	—
Macon	Dr. Evelyn Swilling Dr. John Paul Jones (dinner chairman)	10,955
Brunswick	Dr. D. H. Manning Dr. Robert Perry (dinner chairman)	500
Tifton	Dr. Robley Smith	400
Athens	Dr. J. H. Beall	6,335
Dalton	Dr. Robert W. Simmons Dr. David A. Wells (dinner chairman)	4,800
Douglas	Dr. D. A. Jardine	50
Thomasville	Dr. M. G. Middleton Dr. Thomas Lear (dinner chairman)	500
Decatur	Dr. Betty Ann Brooks	2,500
Jacksonville, Fla.	Dr. Curtis Phillips	(too early to report)
New York, N.Y.	Dr. Earl Warren	450
School of Allied Health Sciences (Augusta)	Ms. Ann Anderson	(too early to report)
School of Graduate Studies (Augusta)	Dr. Dave Welter	(too early to report)
Miscellaneous and Other Areas		$3,399
TOTAL		$131,976

Alumni-Foundation Center Support Voted By Board Of Managers

The Board of Managers of the School of Medicine Alumni Association met in annual session Feb. 28 in Augusta and approved the following actions:

—$3,000 to the Sydenstricker Chair Fund.

—Increased alumni dues to $25 annually from the previous $10 a year. Reasons given were that the association is now involved in many important projects such as assisting the president of MCG and the dean of the School of Medicine, assisting with the alumni house project, and faced with continued cost increases.

—$2,000 discretionary money to the President's Office.

—$2,000 discretionary money to the Dean of the School of Medicine's Office.

—$5,000 to be used in helping renovate or furnish the building to be used as the alumni house for the Medical College. This building, former residence for administrators of the old University Hospital, was occupied by Dr. G. Lombard Kelly. Dr. Joseph Mulherin and Dr. Dan Sullivan were appointed to look into use of the money along with Alex Vaughn of the alumni office at MCG.

—Appointed a committee to revise by-laws of the association. Dr. George Green, Sparta; Dr. Jule Neal, Macon and Dr. Hoke Wammock, LaGrange are committee members instructed to report back at the 1975 Board of Managers meeting.

—Voted that a financial report be provided each member of the Board of Managers 14 days before the annual meeting and that an audit of financial records be conducted each year.

—Approved the annual banquet date for May 10 during the MAG meeting in Savannah.

—Heard Dr. William H. Moretz thank the alumni for their continued interest in and support of MCG.

—Heard a financial report by Miss Mary Hallinan in which revenue (including money for tickets for annual banquet) was reported as $32,859. Expenditures were reported as $17,606.84 with a balance on hand of $15,252.22, including $60 which belongs to the Class of 1960.

—Approved the ballot for new officers to be proposed to members: Dr. George Green, incoming president from president-elect position; Dr. Floyd Jarrell, president-elect from 1st vice president; Dr. Ron Galloway as 1st vice president from 2nd vice president; Dr. Woodrow Goss and Dr. Don Branyon as candidates for 2nd vice-president. The latter have served three years on the Board of Managers. Placed on the ballot to replace Drs. Goss and Branyon as members of the Board of Managers were: Dr. J. Render Turner, Dr. David Wells, Dr. John Rabun and Dr. Gene Tanner.

Dr. Robert (Pop) Waller chaired the meeting which attracted near perfect attendance on the part of all officers and Board of Managers members. Several guests attended, including Dr. Moretz, Dr. Curtis Carter, several other members of the college administration, and a number of alumni guests.□

$250,000 Reached In Campus Campaign

Success is near in the $300,000 MCG Campus phase of the Sesquicentennial Endowment Campaign.

Mr. James C. Austin, director of Institutional Relations, said, "approximately $250,000 is now assured and that the remaining $50,000 should not be a difficult goal to reach among these who have not yet been personally solicited.

The present campaign total stands at approximately $400,000 with the Campus phase closing out and the Alumni phase continuing at least through 1974.

Success on campus is partially based on a large challenge gift in the amount of $125,000 to set up a Chair of Endocrinology in honor of Dr. Robert A. Greenblatt, retiring chairman and professor of Endocrinology.

Several other individuals and departments have, recently, given large gifts to the campaign, including over $11,000 from the Department of Pharmacology headed by Dr. Raymond Ahlquist.

"It has been made clear to us that the non-medical world is closely watching how our community and alumni support this campaign. These foundations, corporations and individuals will take their cue from what we do. They will not place a high value on our need for endowment if we do not. They will not participate significantly if we do not," Mr. Austin said.□

Sparta Physician Elected President

THE MAG MEETING. . . . was occasion for the annual MCG School of Medicine Alumni dinner and election of new officers for the association. Dr. George Green (c) was elected president succeeding Dr. Robert Waller. Dr. Floyd Jarrell of Columbus, (l) is the president-elect. Dr. Harold Harrison (r), newly elected president of the MCG Foundation, Inc., spoke briefly concerning the endowment campaign.

Dr. George Green, '51, of Sparta has been elected president of the School of Medicine Alumni Association. He assumed office May 10 at the annual MCG Alumni Dinner meeting in Savannah.

Elected to serve with him were Dr. Floyd C. Jarrell, '46, Columbus, president-elect; Dr. Ronald F. Galloway, '56, Augusta, first vice-president; Dr. Woodrow Goss, '47, Ashburn, second vice-president and Dr. Joseph L. Mulherin, '44, Augusta, secretary-treasurer.

Two new members of the Board of Managers were elected to three year terms—Dr. J. Render Turner, '44, LaGrange and Dr. David A. Wells, '49, Dalton.

Other members of the Board include: Drs. Philip R. Bartholomew, '67, Atlanta, Harvey M. Newman, '48, Gainesville, Hoke Wammock, '28, LaGrange and Fred J. Coleman, '41, Dublin.

Outgoing president, Dr. Robert Waller of Albany, presided at the meeting. During his tenure Dr. Waller initiated a by-laws study committee; an alumni project to assist with renovation of the old University Hospital Administrator's Home as an alumni-foundation center at MCG and assisted in alumni regional endowment work which had reached a total of $100,000 by the end of his term in office.

Dr. Dan Sullivan, as committee chairman for the alumni-foundation center, asked for and received a vote of confidence in the association's plans to spend $5,000 for this project.☐

Alumni Evenly Divided On Question

Alumni of MCG, responding to the request for an opinion concerning proposed changes in the School's diploma, were almost equally divided on the question.

The Senior Administrative Group of the Medical College requested a vote of the faculty, alumni and students on a proposal by the Milton Antony Society that the School begin, once more, using the 1834 format and Latin language for the diploma.

Alumni voted 102 for the present style and 98 in favor of the 1834 style diploma.

The final decision by the College was to use the 1834 format for all Schools except the School of Nursing which voted to retain the present contemporary style diploma. The other variation is in the School of Allied Health Sciences where English is used for the departmental identification.☐

Dr. Harold Harrison Elected MCG Foundation President

Dr. Harrison

Mr. Achenbach

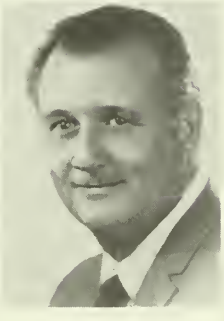
Mr. Newman

Dr. Hames

Mr. Presley

Mr. Williams

Dr. Waller



Dr. Turner

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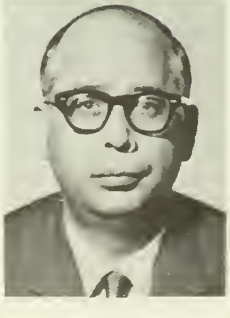

Dr. Jarrell

Trustees of the Medical College of Georgia Foundation, Inc. have elected an Atlanta surgeon as president and named six well known Georgians to the board.

Dr. J. Harold Harrison of Atlanta, in-coming president, will direct activities of the Foundation which is a private, non-profit organization established to accept gifts to MCG from the private sector.

Joining the 31-member board of trustees are Gerry H. Achenbach, president of Piggly Wiggly Southern; Bryce H. Newman, executive vice-president of Citizens and Southern Bank, Augusta; Dr. Curtis G. Hames, Claxton, physician and noted heart researcher; Dr. Floyd Jarrell, Columbus physician and long time MCG supporter; Mr. Charles B. Presley, chairman of the board of the Georgia Railroad Bank and Trust Co. and Mr. James B. Williams, president of the Trust Company of Georgia's Associates. Mr. Presley fills the unexpired term of the late Mr. Sherman Drawdy.

Meeting during the Medical Association of Georgia's annual business session in Savannah during the weekend, trustees announced assets of $587,828 and emphasized the need to make the present $3 million endowment fund campaign a success. Proceeds of the Foundation are used for student aid, assistance to medical research and strengthening of special programs at the College.

Other officers of the Foundation include: Dr. J. Render Turner, LaGrange, first vice-president; Dr. Robert D. Waller, Albany, second vice-president; Dr. Robert G. Ellison, Augusta, secretary-treasurer and Mr. James C. Austin, Augusta, executive director.

The executive committee will be composed of Drs. Harold Harrison, William H. Moretz, Robert G.

Ellison, Milford B. Hatcher, Irving Victor and Mr. Charles B. Presley. Ex-officio members from alumni associations will be Dr. George F. Green, medicine; Ms. Ann Anderson, allied health sciences; Mrs. Patricia Nayyar, nursing and Dr. Reamer Allmond, dentistry.

Dr. Harrison, a vascular surgeon, is a 1948 graduate of MCG where he was president of the student body. He has served as president of the College's alumni association. Dr. Harrison has had many papers published as a result of his research in surgery. While in the military he served as chief of surgical research at Fitzsimmons Army Hospital.

Mr. Achenbach has served as president of Piggly Wiggly Southern for 31 years and during that time sales of the Vidalia based firm have grown from $2 million annually to $150 million a year. He is a graduate of the University of Washington in Seattle and was an investment counselor on Wall Street before coming to Georgia. His civic and community activities have included service as director of the C & S Bank, Seaboard Coast Line Railroad, Columbia Theological Seminary, Super Market Institute, Georgia State Chamber of Commerce and as chairman of the board of the Paul Anderson Youth Home.

Mr. Newman is a 1958 graduate of the University of Georgia and joined the C & S Bank, Augusta, in 1961. He was in charge of the New York Service Office of C&S for a time and returned to Augusta in 1970 as vice president and head of corporate banking. He became executive vice president in 1971.

Mr. Newman is active in numerous civic activities including the United Fund, Kiwanis Club, Chamber of Commerce, Augusta Radiation Therapy Center, American Cancer Society, Augusta Symphony, Paine College, Augusta College and the Good Shepherd Episcopal Church.

Dr. Hames, a 1944 MCG graduate, is in private practice in Claxton and serves as a visiting associate professor at MCG. He is also a visiting faculty member at the University of North Carolina School of Public Health at Chapel Hill, and at the Medical University of South Carolina.

He is the immediate past-president of the Georgia Heart Association and is the principal investigator for the federal hypertension detection and follow-up program in Evans County and surrounding areas. Dr. Hames' work in heart and hypertension research is well known throughout the nation.

Mr. Presley was born in Chatsworth, and was graduated magna cum laude from the University of Georgia. He is also an alumnus of the Stonier Graduate School of Banking of Rutgers University. He joined the Georgia Railroad Bank in 1953, and was named to succeed Mr. Drawdy as chairman of the board in 1973.

Mr. Presley is also a director or officer of numerous Augusta area, Georgia and national corporations, institutions and associations.

He is quite active in Augusta and Richmond County civic affairs, and is a widely respected authority on bank management.

Mr. Williams was chairman of the Board of the First National Bank and Trust Co. in Augusta when appointed to his present position.

He is a Phi Beta Kappa graduate of Emory University, a former Air Force officer and is active in community, church and professional organizations. During 1973 he served as chairman of the Comptroller of the Currency's Regional Advisory Committee on Banking Policies and Practices.

He is a director of Merry Companies, Inc. and Merry Land & Investment Co. as well as Trust Co. of Georgia Associates, and is an officer in numerous other corporations and organizations.□

When The Soul Leaves The Body

. . .

The Atlanta Constitution
By Gregory Jaynes

At this point in the investigation, Dr. Raymond A. Moody Jr. calls himself a collector of stories. "You can't call me a researcher," he says, "because I'm not into it that deeply yet."

While a candidate for a doctorate in philosophy at the University of Virginia, Moody met and talked with a professor who had died and been revived during an operation. The death was complete, by whatever medical standards the point of death is reckoned. It just didn't last very long.

"He had had a rather striking experience during his death, or experience, or whatever you would call it," says Moody. The professor told of the separation of the soul from his body. This was in 1966.

In the next few years—"just by a series of coincidences," Moody insists—he ran into "a number of people who had been near death or had been pronounced dead." They all told of similar experiences.

"As you can imagine, there's nothing in this society that gets you branded nuttier than something like this. Some of these people say they've never discussed these experiences with anybody before, usually because they're afraid they'd be laughed at."

During surgery, a woman from Roswell, Ga., writes, "I made such a fantastic journey . . . I had been put to sleep before and never had this experience and I have never discussed it with even my husband. For to me it was a religious and deeply moving experience and I didn't want anyone making fun of it and thinking it was the drugs I had to take to go to sleep."

The woman had read an account of a speech Moody had given in Macon, where his father is a practicing physician, and was responding to it. "First of all, my mind was keenly alive," she wrote. "I was spoken to by a person I saw and I resisted returning to my body . . . I no longer fear death for I know your soul leaves immediately . . .

"That memorable day when my body was on the operating table and my soul was free, I found myself in this dark, cold, endless wind tunnel. I was keenly aware of everything. The person with me was Chinese and he spoke to me and said, 'I have been your guide during this period of your life. Now I am turning you over to another guide.'

"I never saw the person I was turned over to but firmly believe that I have a guardian angel out there somewhere who is looking out for me."

Other experiences are described, and the lady ends it with: "I hope you don't think I'm just plain crazy and it's a relief to be able to tell this to someone who just perhaps might believe me. I assure you it was real and it's as vivid in my mind as it was the day it happened."

Moody doesn't doubt the woman's story. That kind of account is becoming common to him.

"One of the most common things that's reported is first of all the feeling of being pulled through some sort of black tunnel.

"Second, there is the feeling of being disembodied—being outside the body and looking at it from some distance. They often describe it as floating.

"Another thing they recall is an instantaneous replay, or a pan-

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oramic recollection of the main events of their life. Or that's as close as they can put it in words.

"Some people claim to encounter some being; many just describe it as a being of light. It simply asks them what they've done with their lives. It's not a judgmental thing but more a Socratic question to get them thinking.

"And that's about as far along as they get. I guess if they went any further, if they were out any longer, they wouldn't come back. One other thing: The bulk of the people I have talked to don't want to come back. Some claim to be in such a euphoric state that when they find they're coming back, they don't want it."

Moody, 29, is in his second year at the Medical College of Georgia here. He has his doctorate in philosophy and he intends to become a psychiatrist and eventually to teach. In the meanwhile, he assures that he is "dead serious" about the pursuit of interviews with more people who have had similar experiences in close-to-death states, but can't find the time. He has three more interviews scheduled for June, when school lets out.

"I can assure you there are many people who know more about this than me," he says. "I'm just a rank amateur . . . All I can say now is that I'm curious about it. It baffles me, let me put it that way."

Moody's most recent interview was with a 29-year-old patient at the Augusta Veterans Administration Hospital. The man underwent surgery for a peptic ulcer and "during surgery, they thought he died. The surgeons broke scrub and sewed up his chest with big sutures.

"They were ready to send him to the morgue when, oh, about 20 minutes later, he moved a finger or something. When they had him in the recovery room, he told his uncle: 'The old me died in there. This is the new me'. Now, nobody had told him he had died.

"When I talked to him, he said he had heard a buzzing in his ears. He said he had been able to see outside the operating room, out in the corridor, where he saw nurses. He also said he heard a voice say, 'Is it worth it?' He says he thinks it meant was the life he was living worthwhile?"

A woman Moody talked to in Macon recently had been resuscitated from a cardiac arrest. She said she was able to watch the operating room scene from the ceiling.

"From this vantage point, she watched the whole attempt to revive her, which was done by shock. And when it was done she was pulled back down to the body. It deepened her religion, she said.

"Many people give you a great sigh of relief when you tell them they're not alone in these experiences."

Moody says there are all kinds of theories available to explain the experiences, yet he offers none of his own. "I'm so at a very unanalytical level right now. Is it really death? Well, the clinician couldn't detect any vital signs in many of them.

"I've talked to some people who were seriously injured and died, or whatever the word is, in auto accidents. One lady fell down and bashed her head on the pavement. One was supposed to have died from pneumonia. In some cases, there was a heart attack during an operation.

"Some were under medication. Some were not. People say, isn't there some pharmacological explanation? Well, some of these people with similar experiences were not on drugs.

"I don't have any conclusions. I refuse to make any. I can't say this proves some sort of survival of bodily death. I have no hypothesis.

"Some people say it's a result of cerebral anoxia (loss of oxygen to the brain), causing hallucinations.

"Some say it's wish fulfillment. Some say there must be physiological explanation. I have no basis to draw a conclusion on. I just think I'll pursue it over the years.

"But, being in medical school, this is no time for me to gallivant around all over the country tracking these stories down."

Moody's wife, Louise, has helped him do some of the story collecting. "I guess everybody is interested in death," she says, shrugging. "Everybody wants to know more about it, me included."

"The cases are so plentiful," says Moody, "and they go so unnoticed. People think that's very interesting what happened to Aunt Mary, but think nothing else about it. It's when you put them all together that it mystifies you."

Particularly baffling to Moody is the lack of logic in the stories he is collecting. "I taught logic," he says. "Well, if these stories are true, they don't deal in physical reality as we know it."

The other trouble he has is a background in philosophy. "I am in medical school but I am still, number one, a philosopher. I want to think about all this. But, you know, in medical school, the one thing you don't have is time to think."

He'll be out in two years.□

"Ugly Duckling" Story True At MCG

The Student Center

MCG aptly fit the "ugly duckling" description for decades with its buildings scattered over a wide area with diverse landscaping ranging from some rather attractive areas around Dugas and Murphy to mudholes, weeds and broken sidewalks in others.

Today, after five years of planned landscaping directed by the Physical Plant Division, it is becoming an attraction for urban planners.

W. Clay Adamson, director of the physical plant and Roger Crenshaw, landscape architect, see their objective as forming a unified campus through landscape, lighting, and sign program themes.

The 60-acres of developed campus and 10 acres of urban renewal land have recently been added to through the purchase of additional Gwinnett Street property near the Old University Hospital.

"We have been conservative in our planning and do most of our own landscape work. Certainly a small portion of the MCG budget should go for physical development of its campus so that we can continue the progress which has been made in the past," Adamson said.

Beauty to the eye is only a surface reason for continued landscaping which is transforming the College into one of the State's most attractive urban universities.

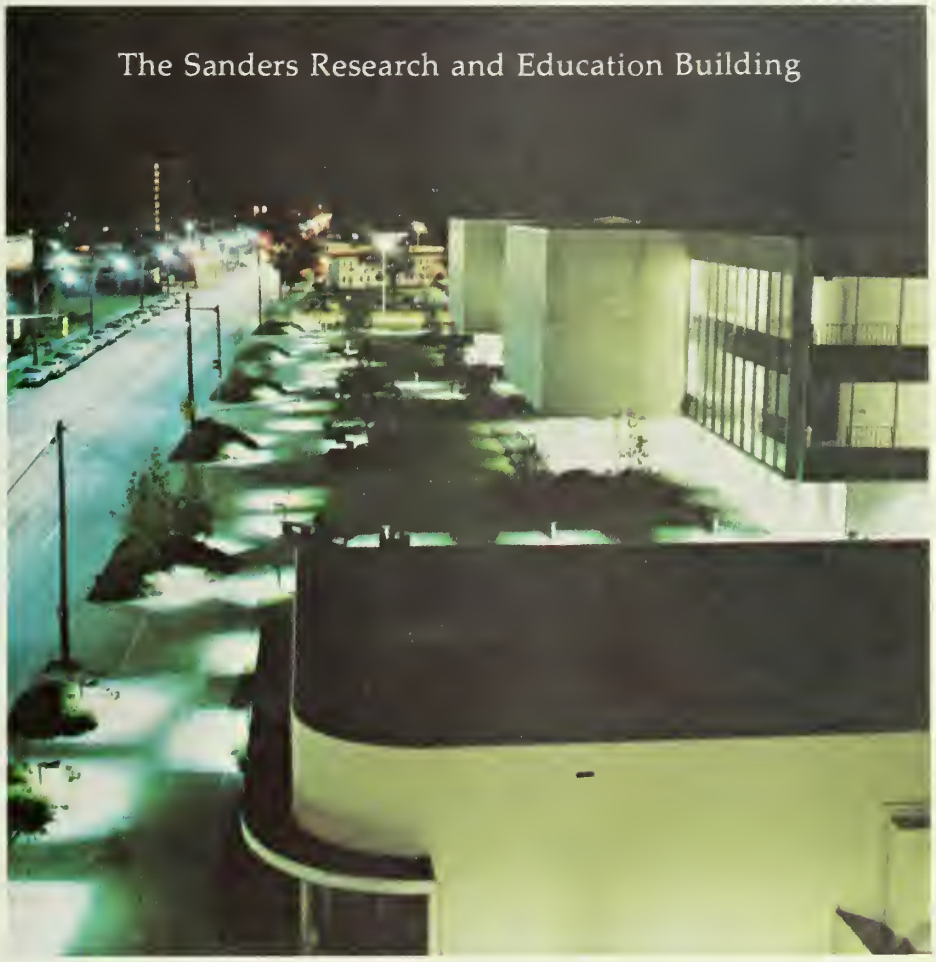
Behind the desire to make the campus as attractive as possible, lies an effort to provide security through effective lighting and proper plantings which do not create potential hiding or trouble situations.

Ecology is another major reason. The proper use of plants, shrubs, trees, and grass contribute to the health and well being of MCG's portion of Augusta through filtration and cooling of the air and supplying of oxygen.

There are utilitarian reasons for the landscaping and over-all change. Some of these are the need for wider sidewalks to handle ever increasing numbers of students and staff; improved parking and traffic patterns and signing for ease of movement.

Low maintenance type plantings are the rule throughout and an area

New Lighting, Landscaping Transform Campus



is not worked into the landscape theme until construction and renovation for the area is complete.

Campus improvement has been reflected in many ways. Faculty recruitment, student recruitment, employee morale and campus community pride are some of these. Mr. Adamson said, "Many cities are now looking at their downtown areas with plans for mall effects, plantings and other efforts to make them more attractive to people. We are already into this and have revitalized much of our part of the city.

The "Ugly duckling" is now 60 per cent swan and still changing. □

The School of Dentistry Building

Visiting the Campus

Visiting the Medical College Campus at this time can be a traumatic event unless you are positive of your directions and knowledgeable of many changes.

In an effort to assist alumni and friends interested in visiting the campus, MCG Today is printing the campus map and offering some routine advice.

More than $25 million in construction is underway or scheduled during the next couple of years at the campus.

There is also private construction underway near the campus and the City of Augusta is in an extensive street improvement program which includes constructing an expressway close by the campus.

All of this combined tends to raise a general din, clatter, dust, mud, traffic jams and parking inconvenience.

Hopefully the map and our advice will assist you when visiting the campus. Please call if we can help. (724-7111, ext. 494)

The inset map of the general location of MCG will be familiar to most but is included for your convenience.

Presently Calhoun Expressway construction has caused disruption and detours on Washington Road, 15th St. near Sears and on Milledge Road near Washington Road.

A new street between University Place (13th ext.) and Walton Way and the complete reworking of University Place has disrupted traffic in that section of the city.

On campus most parking areas are sectioned off with keyed gates. Visitor parking is available in the circle drive in front of Talmadge Hospital (1) and the Student Center (20). There is also visitor parking to the rear of the G. Lombard Kelly Administration Building (13) and off-street, metered parking on Harper Street. Visitors staying at the Thunderbird Inn (38) or the University Motel (37) are within walking distance.

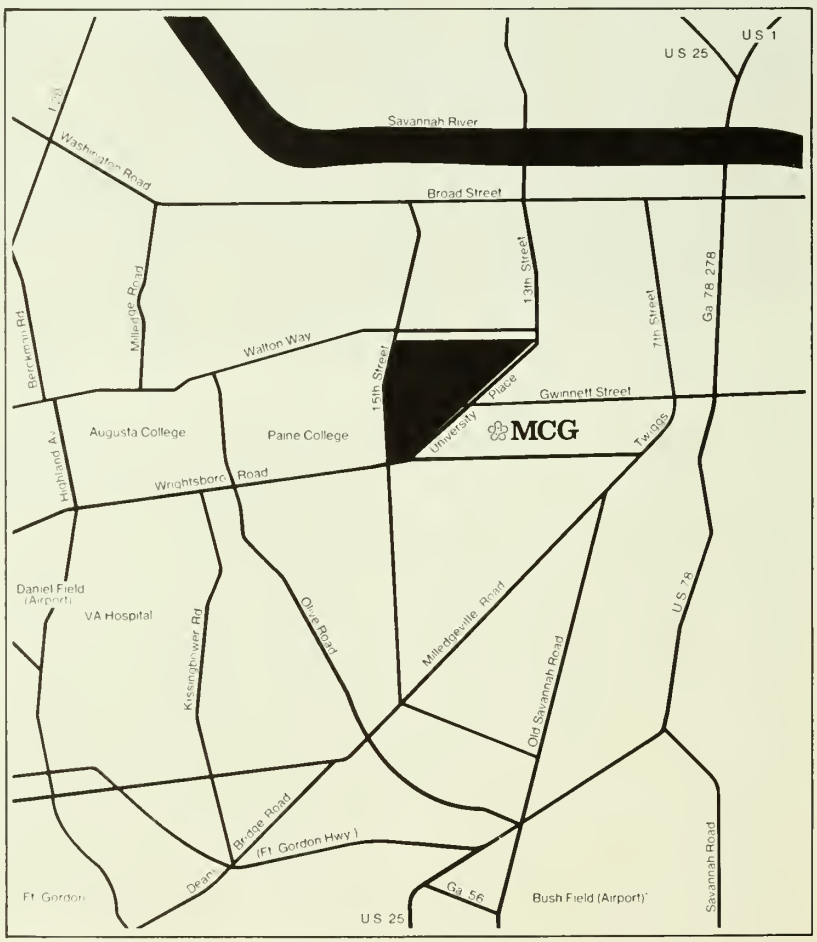
With advance notice or upon notification when arriving on campus, alumni could park in a new lot off Harper Street adjacent to the Marks Building (8).

For those visiting the Georgia War Veterans Nursing Home (17) or the Medical Research Foundation (18) parking is available adjacent to and to the rear of those buildings.

Renovation of the Alumni-Foundation Center Building (44) is expected to begin soon. Attempts are being made to work out access to and reserved parking at this building for alumni and their guests.

Through this center we will offer visitors a place to relax, make telephone calls, secure needed information, etc. The School of Medicine Alumni Association has made $5,000 available to help renovate the building which was the home of Dr. Kelly when first opened.

The living room, dining room, kitchen and screened porch of the facility will be renovated for use in entertaining alumni and other College guests, for Board of Managers meetings, and other small social functions. There are four bedrooms and a storage room which will be converted to office space. □



Map Key

1 Eugene Talmadge Memorial Hospital
2 Virgil P. Syndenstricker Wing, Under Construction
3 Auditoria Center
4 Central Energy Building, Under Construction
5 Faculty Pavilion
6 School of Nursing Building
7 Perkins Building
8 Marks Building
9 Louis A. Dugas Building
10 Eugene E. Murphey Building
11 Protein Chemistry Laboratory (Sickle Cell Administration)
12 Medical College of Georgia Library
13 G. Lombard Kelly Building—Administration
14 Residence I
15 Residence II
16 School of Dentistry Building, Wing Under Construction
17 Georgia War Veterans Nursing Home
18 Medical Research Foundation Building
19 To be designated
20 Student Center
21 The MCG Village—Residence III
22 Tennis Courts
23 The MCG Village—Apartments A
24 The MCG Village—Apartments B
25 The MCG Village—Apartments C
26 The MCG Village—Apartments D
27 Security Station
28 Outpatient Clinic
29 Sickle Cell Center
30 Pediatric Health Clinic
Building a
Building b
Building c
31 Rinker Building (Personnel Office)
32 Carl T. Sanders Building—Research and Education
33 William F. Hamilton Wing (Future Construction)
34 Dermatology/Endocrinology Building
35 Physical Therapy Building
36 Special Curriculum Building
37 University Motel
38 Thunderbird Inn
39 Richmond County Public Health Building
40 Milton Antony Complex
41 University Hospital
42 Medical Arts Building
43 Old Clinic Building
44 Alumni Center

on campus

blue ribbon exhibit

An exhibit presented by two Medical College of Georgia urologists was recently awarded first place in national competition.

The exhibit was presented by Dr. W.C. Shelor, Jr., chief resident in urology, and Dr. Roy Witherington, professor and chief of urology. It won a blue ribbon for clinical research at the annual meeting of the American Urological Association in St. Louis. Design and illustration of the display was done by the MCG medical illustrator Jim Wilson.

sharing education costs

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"This program," the dean added, "offers dental practitioners and others opportunities to contribute to the developments of dental manpower in the state, by sharing in the cost of dental education of financially needy young men and women."

self-teaching grant

Dr. Thomas F. McDonald, acting chairman of the Department of Anatomy at the Medical College of Georgia, has been awarded a $5,000 grant to develop self-teaching materials for students.

The "Consortium Scholar" award, made by the Health Sciences Consortium, was one of 12 such grants made in the United States this year.

named chairwoman

Dorothy Mae Johnson, chairwoman of the Department of Maternal-Child Nursing of the Medical College of Georgia's School of Nursing, has been named chairwoman of the Augusta branch Georgia State League for Nursing. GSLN is a non-profit group organized to improve health services.

Talmadge Hospital re-accredited

The Medical College of Georgia's Eugene Talmadge Memorial Hospital has been re-accredited by the Joint Commission on Accreditation of Hospitals.

Richard E. Gillock, administrator of the hospital, said the 2-year accreditation is the result of a thorough inspection by a JCAH site visitation team last October.

clinical services broadened

Seventy-three students from the School of Allied Health Sciences at MCG are receiving clinical experience in ten states this quarter under a special "clinical services program."

In addition to working in more than 15 Georgia health institutions and agencies, the College's allied health students have put their academic skills to work in South Carolina, Florida, Michigan, New York, Indiana, Tennessee, Iowa, North Carolina, and Pennsylvania.

In addition to the departments of occupational therapy, physical therapy, and dental hygiene, the School of Allied Health Sciences has clinical service affiliations with institutions for its five other departments: Medical Illustration, Medical Record Administration, Medical Technology, Physician's Assistant's and Radiologic Technology.

Child Life Fund assisted

The Child Life Fund, a special program for the children in Talmadge Hospital's pediatric unit recently received $270 through the efforts of 38 patients at the Georgia War Veterans Nursing Home who raised the money.

SCHOLARSHIP GRANT—The Savannah River Section of the American Nuclear Society has presented $500 to be used in the matching program for student aid in radiologic technology and/or nuclear medicine. Each dollar donated will be matched by nine dollars from Federal funds. Mr. Frank Fields (L) and Mr. Samuel Mirshak (R) Chairman of the Savannah River Section make the presentation to Dr. William H. Moretz, president.

DR. DONALD C. ABELE . . . professor of Dermatology and Medicine has been elected president of the Georgia Society of Dermatologists.

sixty-three faculty promotions announced

Sixty-three faculty promotions have been announced by President William H. Moretz of the Medical College of Georgia following approval by the Regents of the University System. The promotions for the coming year are effective July 1.

Thirteen faculty members were advanced to full professorship; one was advanced to clinical professor; 25 were promoted from assistant professor to associate professor; 16 were promoted from instructor to assistant professor; four were advanced from assistant clinical professor; and four were advanced from clinical instructor to assistant clinical professor.

Those promoted are:

Professor: Ata Abdel-Latif, PhD, cell & molecular biology; Edwin S. Bronstein, MD, Mph, obstetrics & gynecology; Aldo G. Franceschi, MD, surgery; Armand B. Glassman, MD, pathology & medical technology; Louie F. Marshall, MD, psychiatry; Thomas F. McDonald, PhD, anatomy; John W. McKenzie, PhD, anatomy; George H. Nelson, MD, PhD, obstetrics & gynecology; Charles H. Wray, MD, surgery; Bella J. May, EdD, physical therapy; Patricia A. Moxley, EdD, nursing; Sergio E. Bustos-Valdes, DDS, PhD, oral biology and Jackie G. Weatherred, DDS, PhD, oral biology.

Clinical professor: Gordon M. Kelly, MD, surgery.

Associate professor: Ezzat Aziz, MRCPE, pediatrics; Edward W. Berg, MD, surgery; J. Rogers Byrd, PhD, endocrinology; William H. Carlton, PhD, radiology; Richard C. Fraser, FCP, medicine; William S. Harms, PhD, cell & molecular biology; Milo Hilty, MD, pediatrics; Thomas A. Huff, MD, medicine; Horace A.W. Killam, MD, medicine; Frederick H. Leibach, PhD, endocrinology; Charles W. Linder, MD, pediatrics; Thomas G. Muldoon, PhD, endocrinology; George S. Schuster, DDS, PhD, cell & molecular biology; Mohamed Sharawy, BDS, PhD, anatomy; S. David Stoney, Phd, physiology; Jean Tyler, PhD, medicine; Gerald I. Wasserwald, MD, obstetrics and gynecology; Ann S. Anderson, MS, medical technology; Cecil H. Hall, MSR, RT, radiologic technology; Marilyn Kangelos, MS, medical technology; Juanita Sirmans, AB, medical record administration; Guy E. Fiebiger, DMD, prosthodontics; William C. Outhwaite, DDS, oral medicine; Larry J. Peterson, DDS, MS oral surgery; and Plummer H. Wynn, DDS, oral medicine.

Assistant professor: Harvey Sherman Blalock, MD, surgery; Myron D.F. Collins, MD, surgery; Margaret E. Coryell, PhD, cell & molecular biology (assistant research professor); Percy E. Dunagin, Jr., PhD, pathology (laboratory medicine); Sandra N. Freedman, MD, radiology; David L. Mainz, MD, medicine; Edward W. McCranie, PhD, psychiatry; Robert A. Vargo, PhD, physiology; John G. Lyon, MS, biomedical engineering; Maryon J. Williams, Jr., PhD, biomedical engineering; Jack L. Dixon, BS, radiologic technology; Patsy E. Greenup, MS, medical technology; Barbara Harms, BS, medical record administration; Erma C. Myers, BS, physical therapy; Patricia P. Lillis, MS, adult nursing; and Patricia C. Moores, MSN, mental health nursing.

Associate clinical professor: Charles R. Bittle, MD, anesthesiology; James W. Mitchener, MD, pathology; Edward H. Smith, MD, dermatology; and Dan B. Sullivan, MD, surgery.

Assistant clinical professor: Simone Brocato, MD, medicine; Julius T. Rucker, Jr., MD, anesthesiology; Beverly B. Sanders, MD, dermatology; and Jack B. Williams, MD, anesthesiology.

"Building Block" program

More than 50 students from three Augusta colleges are receiving practical experience at the Medical College of Georgia as part of their academic studies in Human Growth and Development.

Nursing students from MCG, and education and psychology students from Paine College and Augusta College are participating in "Building Blocks," a cooperative project of MCG's Maternal and Infant Care Program, Department of Occupational Therapy, and the Augusta March of Dimes.

elected president

Dr. Sherwood M. Reichard, professor of Physiology and director of the Section of Radiobiology at the Medical College of Georgia has been elected president of the National Reticuloendothelial Society for 1974.

Dr. Reichard, named president of the group at its recent national meeting in Williamsburg, Va., joined the MCG faculty as associate professor in 1964 and became professor in 1969. He was elected president of the Faculty of the School of Medicine in 1972. He also served as president of the American Association of University Professors in 1971.

African Reflections

By Jim Beecham, M.D.

"Doctor, Doctor, come quickly we have an emergency." I had been whiling away a warm African afternoon reading an obstetrics text when the disturbance came.

Through the support of a Medical Assistance Programs' Readers Digest International Fellowship, I was spending 10 weeks of my senior year in the heart of Zaire (formerly the Belgian Congo).

Our 250 bed tropical hospital, the only one within 40,000 square miles, was located in the southern part of the country, deep in the bush. It was staffed by a general surgeon, an American and a Swedish nurse, and many male African nurses. Glenn Eschtruth, a medical missionary from Michigan served as the hospital surgeon, but was away on a three week tour of the 18 dispensaries in the surrounding area. For the first time in my life, I had medical responsibility for a 250 bed medical-surgical hospital. And things were just beginning to happen.

Responding to the nurse's call, I went to the obstetrical ward and found a 26 year old mother of five, one hour post partum, lying breathless in a pool of blood. I was seeing my first vivid picture of one of the most common forms of obstetrical mortality in the bush. It was a ruptured uterus with fatal hemorrhage.

Midwives handled all vaginal deliveries at the hospital, while Dr. Eschtruth performed many cesarian sections due to the high incidence of maternal cephalopelvic disproportion. Out here death was an expected complication of childbirth.

In our area malaria, hookworm, tuberculosis, malnutrition and anemia were endemic. Veneral disease, particularly gonorrhea, was prevalent and the cause of much female sterility. Hernias, burns, cesarian sections, and tropical ulcers were common surgical problems, the latter usually requiring repeated skin grafting.

I was becoming keenly aware that medical care in a developing country differed sharply from that in industrialized ones. In some surrounding areas, half of all children born were dead before age five. Pneumonia, measles and malaria superimposed on malnutrition accounted for most of the under five mortality. The average hemoglobin on the female ward was 8.5 grams percent, with about 75 percent with the hookworm and the same percentage with falciparum malaria. I saw very little hypertension, no myocardial infarctions, and treated no heart failure.

Two very apparent differences I noted in their health care system were 1) the doctor's role and 2) the role of the auxiliary. There the doctor's task was to act as a teacher, organizer, supervisor and consultant to his auxiliary team. The nurses took care of all the ward work including the admission history and physical examination and writing the initial orders. Nurses ran the general medicine and surgical clinics everyday and managed all dressing changes, suture removals, lacerations, and minor burns, which were very common. Dr. Eschtruth has even trained one nurse to do emergency cesarean sections and routine hernia repairs. As a general rule any task that had to be repeated many times was, if possible, taught to an auxiliary. Our clinic activities included an X-ray clinic, an OB-GYN clinic, and a consult clinic weekly. Any patients the nurses wanted Glenn to see personally, were seen at our consult clinic.

I was next called to see a local school teacher who had broken his clavicle. After examining the patient, with a professional air I excused myself, read in the orthopedic text under "treatment of fractured clavicles", and then proceeded to treat my patient. This pattern of cookbook medicine was effective and did not seem to upset the local village medicine men, who had not yet heard of peer review.

I was just beginning to get used to my job as hospital doctor when calamity befell us. The Mwant Yav, the Chief of the Lunda tribe fell ill. The Chief and his people, over one million Lunda, lived in our region.

He presented with fever, jaundice and abdominal pain. My initial impression was infectious hepatitus, a very common disease in our area. But the next day he was passing hemoglobin in his urine and his hemoglobin fell to 9.5. Maintaining radio contact with Dr. Eschtruth, we managed the Chief's illness for a week. The picture was one of a massive intravascular hemolysis now and the Mwant was going downhill fast. Because of the gravity of the situation, Glenn made an emergency flight back. After all resources had been exhausted, the Mwant died. Glenn, a Diplomat in Tropical Medicine and Hygiene, and a veteran of ten years of African medicine, concurred that what we had witnessed was a massive intravascular hemolysis of undetermined etiology. Rumors of poisoning were rampant. The Chief was not without many political enemies. The Mwant Yav was a

giant among tribal leaders in Zaire. He was educated, spoke seven languages, an agricultural expert, the son of Zaire's first African millionaire, and a dynamic leader in the African church. He had been one of the first to welcome me to Kapanga. I too lost a dear friend.

After the funeral Glenn again left for the bush. I was thrust once more into what was to be a most emotionally and mentally challenging period of independence. The next day, as fate would have it, began with a young girl presenting to the hospital in labor. She had a congenitally deformed pelvis and spine which had twice before prevented vaginal deliveries. I called for Ezye, a surgically trained nurse, and assisted this African nurse in a major operation. Literally being cheered as we left the OR building (local custom), I went home emotionally and mentally drained and read up on cesarian sections.

It was fortunate that I did, because a few days later in rolled another mother hard in labor with several previous sections. Only this time no one could find Ezye. My junior obstetrical rotation of three weeks had not quite prepared me for such situations. I started operating—fully aware that my zeal far exceeded my experience and hoping that my luck would exceed them both. All was going well until I tried to deliver the head out of the uterus. All I got was a slippery right upper limb. After numerous unsuccessful attempts by the nurse-assistant and myself, the scrub nurse, Phillip, who had probably seen scores of C-sections, reached over his Mayo stand and delivered the head. My first impulse was to break scrub and throw my arms around him. But somehow I managed to maintain my composure long enough to complete the operation, and walk out into a crowd of cheering, clapping relatives. I've known surgeons who could walk on water, but after that experience I was past the water and well into the clouds. As I floated to the house, I realized that somehow I had experienced what I, then and now, acknowledge as a deep sense of divine presence and awareness of that critical situation. This is the only rational explanation I have for the inner calm I experienced throughout the procedure. Mother, baby and doctor survived without post op complications.

I have never lived a more challenging two weeks. It was during this time that I came to realize why the Lunda people seemed so appreciative of medical care. Life taught them to expect pain, and many bore it without emotion. Life had taught them to accept maternal death as a frequent result of child bearing. Any alleviation of pain or disease was warmly received. Now one could begin to appreciate why so often after a critical operation, the surgeon upon leaving the OR building would be met with claps and shouts of applause from the grateful relatives. Observations in a setting similar to this had led Albert Schweitzer to write:

> The Fellowship of those who bear the Mark of Pain. Who are the members of this Fellowship? Those who have learned by experience what physical pain and bodily anguish mean, belong together all the world over; they are united by a secret bond. One and all, they know the horror of suffering to which man can be exposed, one and all they know the longing to be free from pain.

I found medical need in a developing country to be overwhelming. As physicians we are priviledged to be able to respond to that need by sharing the burden of pain that lies upon the world.□

Research Reported

Medical College of Georgia researchers have reported on work that could lead to development of techniques for implanting what might be called 'ceramic jawbones' to help stabilize lower dentures.

Dr. Wade B. Hammer, in a paper presented at a meeting of the International Association for Dental Research in Atlanta March 22, reported successful implants in four of six patients.

Dr. Hammer, associate professor of oral surgery at the Medical College, said the implant technique could prove to be an answer to one of the major problems dentists encounter in fitting lower dentures:

"Oftentimes we find that the bone base on which the denture rests—the alveolar ridges—shrinks. Sometimes this resorption of bone by the body is so marked that the ridge disappears entirely. This leaves no support for the denture."

Augmentation of the ridge involves the implantation of the ceramic calcium aluminate, Dr. Hammer says. This light-weight ceramic is porous, and allows bone and other surrounding tissue to grow into the material, thus further increasing its stability.

The Georgia dental researcher says his experience with the procedure in the six cases reported showed that the implants became immobile under the patients' gums after three weeks, and "were able to support complete conventional dentures after six weeks."

One of the two failures, he said, was caused by underlying bone resorption. The other was the result of accidental "dislodgement of the implant, accompanied by infection."

Dr. Hammer noted that ridge augmentation using bone or bone marrow from other sites on the patient's body have been performed with varying degrees of success.

"If the use of these ceramic materials could be perfected, it would be a significant advance, in that it would do away with the need to operate on a patient to obtain biologic implant material.

"It's possible that ceramic implants could become an office procedure, thus making the operation much more accessible to a larger number of patients," Dr. Hammer added. At this stage, he emphasizes, the work "is strictly experimental. It may be some time before the best techniques and materials are found." □

Provost Accepts Dean's Post At Northeastern Ohio

Dr. Robert A. Liebelt, Provost of the Medical College of Georgia at Augusta, has been named the first dean of a new medical college to be called Northeastern Ohio Universities College of Medicine.

Member universities of the consortium forming the school are the University of Akron, Kent State University and Youngstown State University.

A distinguished anatomist, researcher and teacher, Dr. Liebelt is a native of Chicago. He received his BS degree from Loyola University of Chicago with honors in biology in 1950. In 1952 he earned an MS degree in zoology from Washington State University.

He received his PhD, with honors in anatomy, from the Baylor University College of Medicine in 1957, and his MD, with honors, from the same institution in 1958.

In 1971 Dr. Liebelt was named Associate Dean for Curriculum at the Medical College of Georgia. He also held academic appointments as professor of experimental medicine in the Department of Medicine and as a professor in the Department of Cell and Molecular Biology.□

Sigma Theta Tau Chapter Established at College

More than 200 nurses and nursing educators from across the Southeast gathered at the Medical College of Georgia April 20 for ceremonies installing a new chapter of the national nursing honor society.

Mrs. Virginia George of Vanderbilt University, national treasurer of Sigma Theta Tau conducted the installation ceremony for the Beta Omicron Chapter of the society at MCG.

Dr. Paul Torrence, professor and chairman of educational psychology at the University of Georgia and Dr. Donna Diers, dean of nursing at Yale University, were guest speakers.

Populations Studies Given Large Grant

The Center for Populations Studies at the Medical College of Georgia has been awarded a $238,765 grant for training of researchers in reproductive biology and population control.

Dr. Virenda B. Mahesh, chairman of the Endocrinology Department and director of the Center at MCG said the money will support the training of five pre-doctoral research scientists and three post-doctoral trainees over the next four years.

The Center for Population Studies conducts research into new methods of contraception, trains individuals to operate population control programs, and evaluates current contraceptive methods.

School of Allied Health Sciences Forms Alumni Association

Ann Anderson, associate professor of medical technology, has been elected the first president of the newly organized School of Allied Health Sciences Alumni Association.

The Association held its first meeting April 24 in Augusta for the purposes of electing officers and beginning organization work.

Mary Glennan, medical record administration, is the president-elect; Michele Mittleman, dental hygiene, is secretary; David Mascaro, medical illustration, is treasurer and Mary Ann Hodges, medical technology, is board member at large.

A copy of the Constitution and By-Laws of the Association will be mailed to all alumni for ratification. At the same time a mail ballot election will be held to elect 10 alumni to be added to the five named above to constitute the Board of Managers.

Dean Raymond C. Bard presided during the initial meeting and President and Mrs. William H. Moretz attended. Dr. Moretz made a presentation about the Sesquicentennial Endowment Fund.

Dr. Fisher Establishes Dental Fund

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Woman's Club Begins Program

The Metropolitan Woman's Club of Augusta has written into its by-laws a $200 annual payment to the Medical College of Georgia Student Aid Matching Program.

Each of these dollars is matched by nine dollars in Federal funds, Mr. James C. Austin said. Mrs. James H. Wing is president of the Metropolitan Woman's Club.

Kate Bentley Foundation Makes Grant

The Kate Bentley Foundation of Valdosta has made a gift to the Sesquicentennial Endowment Fund of MCG, Dr. Alexander G. Little, Jr., secretary and treasurer of the foundation announces.

Dr. Little said Mrs. Bentley was an elementary school teacher until her death in 1948. She had continued to teach following her husband's death and had built his estate into a sizeable amount of money and property.

Mrs. Bentley left a portion of her estate to set up a foundation which was to be used for medical purposes, primarily for the treatment of school children unable to get proper medical care because of poverty.

Dr. Little said that because of the many programs now available for children this is rarely the case now and that the foundation now concentrates on broader fields than just direct patient care.

Dr. Sam Singal Is Named Graduate School Dean

Dr. Sam A. Singal, Charbonnier Professor of Cell and Molecular Biology at the Medical College of Georgia, has been named dean of the College's School of Graduate Studies, effective Sept. 1, according to MCG President William H. Moretz.

"Dr. Singal is both a superior teacher and a respected scientist," Dr. Moretz said. "We are confident that the School of Graduate Studies will attain even greater achievements under his direction."

The new dean will succeed Dr. Edward Bresnick who has served as acting dean since 1972. The School of Graduate Studies, one of five schools of the College, has an enrollment of about 100 students. The School grants MS and PhD degrees in a number of biomedical disciplines, as well as combined MS-MD and MD-PhD degrees.

The new dean of Graduate Studies was born in Ohio, earned his bachelors degree at the University of Toledo and his MS and PhD degrees at the University of Michigan.

Dr. Singal came to MCG in 1942, became professor of biochemistry in 1956, and served as acting chairman of the Department of Biochemistry from 1968-71.

His major research interest has centered on metabolism. In recent months, he has been pursuing biochemical research at the State University of Utrecht, the Netherlands.

He holds memberships in the American Society of Biological Chemists and the American Institute of Nutrition. In addition, Dr. Singal is a widely published author in professional and scholarly journals. □

A Helping Hand Turned Into A New Career

She came to work for a half day, typically to help out someone —and remained on the job for 10 years.

Mrs. Mary (Randolph) Lewis, executive secretary of the MCG Foundation, Inc., resigned that position effective Feb. 28 in order to share her husband's retirement.

Mrs. Lewis was requested to help out in the office during a rush time and agreed to do it out of friendship for the then director of public relations. It was at a time when the Foundation's secretary was retiring and Mrs. Lewis was asked to accept the position. She agreed and began fulltime work May 24, 1964.

"Mrs. Lewis has during these years established a reputation for devotion to her responsibilities and for a willingness to work whatever hours necessary to get the job done," Mr. James C. Austin, director of Institutional Relations said.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis owned and operated the Lewis Loan and Finance Co. in North Augusta for years until Mr. Lewis' health began failing. They sold the business and he retired. With improved health he did return to work for eight additional years and was with MCG in hospital accounting until his retirement in late 1973.

They have one daughter, Mrs. R.K. (Betty) Lambeth, Jr. of Augusta and four grandchildren. The Lewis' will sell their North Augusta home and live at Clark Hill where they have had a home for several years.□

Admissions—A Love-Hate Affair

Few committees are more loved or more despised than medical college admission committees, a member of the Medical College of Georgia Admissions Committee said recently.

Dr. Boyd D. Sisson, professor of psychiatry, told the Richmond County Medical Society, "We're loved by those applicants accepted and damned by those not accepted."

He noted that competition for medical school slots is "fierce" throughout the nation, with only 33 per cent of those applying to medical schools admitted. For the 14,300 available positions, 43,000 students apply. And with each student applying at seven schools, the total applications reaches 320,000.

At the Medical College of Georgia, Sisson pointed out, 180 students will be admitted this fall, and so far, 1,584 applications have been received, with 940 coming from out of state. However, only 5 per cent of the class may be from out of state, he added.

When Sisson first became a member of the Admissions Committee in 1957, only 261 applications were received for the 96 positions available in the class he recalled.

In the present freshman class at MCG, 167 are Georgia residents. The average grade point ratio centers around 3.3.

About 59 different colleges and universities are represented, he continued with the greatest number of students coming from the University of Georgia, followed by Emory University and Georgia Tech. More than 33 different areas of study are included, with biology and chemistry ranking at the top. The age of the applicants range from 19 to 36 years, with 23 as the average.

Sisson said the committee meets about once a week, and receives "far more applicants felt to be qualified than can be accepted."

Although the applicant's college record is important, he noted that the selection is "not merely a calculation of the highest grades and scores", but personal factors are equally important.

"Admitting a better potential M.D. is more important than admitting a better student," said Sisson.

The most obvious trends in admissions, he added, is a significant increase in the number of females applying and an increase in the number of older applicants with advanced degrees.

The MCG admissions committee is composed of 10 voting members—six M.D.'s, two Ph.D.'s and two upper class medical students—and one executive secretary.□

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Deaths

W. Loyd Osteen, Savannah, '40

H. W. Adams, Atlanta, '45

W. G. Brawley, Avondale Estates, '47

W. E. Brown, Savannah, '30

W. R. Durham, Maxeys, '29

B. T. Franklin, Metter, '50

L. L. Frank, South Bend, Indiana, '29

J. R. Sams, Covington, '12

J. B. Wilbanks, Clarkesville, '58

W. J. Williams, Augusta, '31

C. N. Tomblin, Columbus, '58

C. M. Pugh, Lumpkin, '49

Medicine

1920-1949

Frederick Oetjen, '20, retired in 1971 and is now a volunteer worker at the East Jacksonville Neighborhood Health Center. He is a member of the Fifty Year Club of American Medicine. Dr. Oetjen says he remembers Dr. **Lloyd R. Gueer,** '17, very pleasantly. Dr. Gueer, in the winter issue, indicated he had lost touch with all former classmates.

F. Bert Brown, '26, has not been in active practice since 1963 and has decided not to resume practice.

R. L. Webb, '28, was made a Charter Member of the active staff when McMillan Hospital and Charleston General Hospital combined to form the Charleston Area Medical Center.

Hoke Wammock, '28, has been appointed to serve on the National Advisory Council on Regional Medical Program. He was invited to take this post by Caspar W. Weinberger, secretary of Health, Education and Welfare. He has also been asked to continue serving as chairman of the Committee on Cancer of the MAG and remains a member of the Statewide Cancer Management Network Program. Dr. Wammock's wife underwent surgery April 4 at Piedmont Hospital, Atlanta and after several weeks in the hospital is reported to be improving. As of June 14 she reported continued but slow recovery.

Marie M. Frain, '30, is planning to retire in December of this year and is looking forward to returning to her South Carolina home.

L. H. Oden, Jr., '32, is retired from the Air Force and recently had an article "Treatment of Snake Bites" published in the **Consultant Journal,** May 1972. He resides in Blackshear.

Albert G. LeRoy, '33, of Thomson, has two sons in practice now. **Albert G. LeRoy Jr.,** '65, began practice of Urology in Rock Hill, S.C. in July 1973. **Joseph B. LeRoy,** '72, is a 2nd year resident in psychiatry at Virginia Medical College in Charlottesville, Va.

Tracy Levy, '39, is the Medical Director of the U. S. Public Health Service Outpatient Clinic in Miami, Fla.

Jack T. Harper, '44, of Athens, became a charter fellow of AAFP in September 1973.

H. Calvin Jackson, '45, of Manchester, has been appointed to the Courtesy Staff of Ga. Warm Springs Foundation Hospital.

P. F. Holcomb, '46, has Kyle F. Kresau for his new partner in a private ob-gyn practice in Spartanburg, S.C.

Samuel A. Heaton, Jr., '46, assumed the position of Deputy District Health Director for the South Central District in September 1973.

William F. Moore, Jr., '49, is Chairman,

CLASS OF 1934—The Class of 1934 held a reunion recently in Savannah during the MAG meeting. They are from left to right: Back Row—Dr. A. H. Gallis, Athens; Dr. John A. Bell, Dublin; Dr. A. F. Williams, Savannah; Dr. Stewart H. Auerbach, Chattanooga; Dr. John E. Porter, Savannah; Dr. S. Edgar Watson, Lakeland, Fla.; Dr. Augustus McCravey, Chattanooga; Dr. Braswell E. Collins, Macon. Front Row—Mrs. Gallis, Mrs. Williams, Mrs. Auerbach, Mrs. Porter, Mrs. Watson, Mrs. McCravey. Also attending the reunion but not present when the photograph was made were Dr. and Mrs. C. J. Roper of Jasper.

Dept. of Pediatrics at the Strant Clinic and Hospital. He is clinical professor at the University of Hawaii School of Medicine and has recently been elected president of the Honolulu County Medical Society.

1950-1960

Henry G. Carter, '50, has been board certified in Anesthesiology and is in group practice in Norfolk, Va.
Janis G. Davis, '50, has changed practice from anesthesiology to structural integration with emphasis to health.
T. Glenn Williams, '66, and **Don Boyd,** '64, have joined **Mack Freeman,** '50, in practice of orthopedic surgery in Albany.
J. J. Sizemore, '54, in Columbus, says he could use a partner in his pediatrics practice.
Leonard H. Berger, '56, received his American Ophthalmology Board Certification in 1963. He was recently elected to American College of Surgeons.
Charles D. Ray, '56, has published a book **Medical Engineering** which is described by Year Book Medical Publishers of Chicago as "up-to-date coverage of all that is known in engineering as it is applied to medicine." Dr. Ray is editor-in-chief of the book which has 1,225 pages of information from 117 contributors. He is vice president, medical research, Medtonics, Inc., Minneapolis, Minn.; clinical assistant professor, Department of Neurosurgery, University of Minn. and is a lecturer at Mayo Medical School in Rochester. Dr. Ray is a Fellow of the Royal Society of Health of England and the American College of Surgeons.
Stanley M. Silver, '59, is chief of medicine, Golson Isles Hospital in Hollywood, Fla. Dr. Silver is the treasurer of the Broward County Medical Association.
How about a 600 mile bike tour of five European countries with 42 children, **Malcolm M. Sayre,** '59, his wife, and six other adults took the tour camping each night along the way. He is still in practice with **G. P. Carmichael,** '60, in Wauchula, Fla.

1962-1964

Charles E. Waller, '62, of Anderson, S.C., has been accepted into the American College of Surgeons.
Frederic M. Simonwitz, '62, is in private practice of neurology in St. Louis, Mo.
Walker C. McGraw, '62, has been elected to the American College of Surgeons. Dr. McGraw has established an industrial clinic in Chamblee for industrial medicine and surgery.
Charles F. Seman, '62, is practicing at the Tepper Clinic in Chattanooga. He and his wife have four children.
H. Dean Cook, '62, is in practice in Wheat Ridge, Col. and has recently been awarded certification as a Diplomate of the American Board of Anesthesiology. He and his wife, Joyce, have two children, Laura Anne, age 23 months and William Chadwick, age 9 months.
H. Edward Logue, '63, has been appointed chief of psychiatry at Brookwood Hospital in Birmingham, Ala.
James R. Burton, '63, has been board certified in orthopedics.
Jim Gerlock, '63, is a professor of radiology at the University of Texas S.W. Medical School in Dallas. He has been certified as a Diplomate in American College of Radiologists and is sub-specialized in neuro-radiology.
Jack E. Butterworth, Jr., '64, was certified by the American Board of Urology in February 1974. He has a urology practice in Bristol, Tenn.
There are three members of the 1964 class practicing in Alaska. **Alex B. Russell, Jr.,** '64, in pediatrics, **Estol Belflower,** '64, in radiology and **J. A. Sangster,** '64, in surgery.
Freddie E. Wilson, '64, is presently the Medical Director of the Intensive Care Unit and practicing pulmonary medicine at the Methodist Hospital in Dallas, Texas. He will become Associate Director, Dept. Internal Medicine in the Greenville, S. C. Hospital System beginning July 1, 1974.

1965-1969

James L. Story, Jr., '65, is in practice of general surgery in Thomasville with Dr. A. A. Zavaleta. Dr. Story was recently notified of certification of the American Board of Surgery.
Lamar Fleming, '65, will be senior resident in orthopedics at Duke University for 1974-75.
Arthur F. DiSalvo, '65, is chief, bureau of laboratories at South Carolina Dept. Health and Environmental Control.
Charles C. Wike, '65, was married to Candace Lane Stout on March 30, 1974 in Amarillo, Texas.
Speir N. Ramsey, '66, recently received his ob-gyn American Board Certification.
William E. Gregory, Jr., '66, is completing an orthopedic residency at MCG in June. Dr. Gregory will then begin a private practice in Rock Hill, S. C. on July 1, 1974.
Herbert S. Greenwald, Jr., '66, presented a paper entitled "A Review of 128 patients with Orbital Fractures" at the Wills Eye Hospital Annual Clinic Conference on February 15, 1974.
Robert T. Anderson, Jr., '67, upon completing a fellowship at Emory University Hospital in Atlanta, will associate with two others practicing diagnostic radiology in Canton and Cartersville.
Sidney A. Bell, '67, will complete his residency in orthopedic surgery at the University of Va. in June and plans to practice in Rome, Ga.
Ralph J. DiFiore, '68, has completed a residency in orthopedics at Letterman Hospital in San Francisco and is now in the Army stationed at Fort Stewart, Ga.
Hyman M. Kaplan, '68, is serving in the Army as chief of the Allergy Clinic in Moncrief Hospital in Ft. Jackson, S. C.
Robert O. Raulston, '68, will be chief resident in urology at the University of Oklahoma in July.
Carl C. Schuessler, '68, is chief of ob-gyn at Robins AFB Hospital. In July, he will begin a private practice in Macon.
Paul G. Story, '69, has just returned from a 3 ½ yr. stay in Germany where he served as an army surgeon. In July 1974 he will begin an ophthalmology residency at Fitzsim General Hospital in Denver, Col.
Stephen Boyle, '69, will be stationed at the Charleston Naval Hospital as a staff surgeon after completing his residency in July.
J. C. Baggett, '69, is a Lt. Commander in the Navy stationed in Jackonsville, Fla. He is director of the Physician's Assistant program and in conjunction with the Navy PA program was recently awarded a clinical instructorship through the University of Nebraska, Department of Family Practice.
A. Douglas Calhoun, '69, is a second year general surgery resident at the University of Oregon Medical School.
George E. Linney, Jr., '69, has joined the Nalle Clinic in Charlotte, N.C. and he and his wife, Barbara have a daughter, Allison Sims born on November 3, 1972.

1970-1971

Randolph R. Smith, '70, is chief resident in otolaryngology at Duke University. He says his wife still believes clandestine smoking is good for bronchitis.
John Nerney, '70, will soon begin an ophthalmology residency at the University of Pittsburg. He and his wife, **Emmie Phillips Nerney** (Nsg. '71) have

one daughter born in January 1974.
George J. Everidge, '71, is doing a first year residency in ob-gyn at Portsmouth Naval Hospital in Virginia.
Judy I. Orosz, '71, is chief resident in pediatrics at T. C. Thompson Children's Hospital in Chattanooga, Tenn.
R. P. Castleberry, '71, is completing the first year of a two year fellowship in pediatric hematology at the University of Ala. Medical Center in Birmingham. His second daughter, Kelly Adrian, was born March 12, 1973. He presented a paper to the American Society of Hematology in Chicago, Dec. 1973 entitled: "An Evaluation of the malignant cell origin of lymphosarcoma of childhood."
Richard L. Brandon, '71, will finish an ob-gyn residency in June and open practice in Ft. Myers, Fla.
William K. McCord, '71, and **Dan Minger,** '71, are doing pediatric residencies at the Naval Regional Medical Center in San Diego.

1972-1974

B. T. Kennerly, '72, is in practice of emergency medicine at Georgia Baptist Hospital in Atlanta.
J. Michael Hosford, '72, was voted best teaching intern at the University of Ala. Medical School. He is now finishing his 1st year residency in pediatrics at the Children's Hospital, University of Ala. Medical Center.
William Mura, '72, is finishing his 2nd year residency in pediatrics. In July he will be a chief resident at Maricopa County Hospital in Phoenix, Ar.
H. Stanley Guest, '72, is currently a resident at Northwestern Memorial Hospital in Chicago, Ill.
James I. Suit, '73, will start an ophthalmology residency at Emory-Grady in July.
Rodney Vickers, '73, is presently doing a surgery internship at Memorial Hospital in Chapel Hill, N.C.
John Davidson Carson, '73, is at Grady Memorial Hospital in Atlanta doing a 1st year general surgery residency.
Hubert M. Suber, '73, will begin an ob-gyn residency at Norfolk General Hospital in July.
William Hugh Stephens, Jr., '74, recently spent six weeks in Scotland working with Professor W. Watson Buchannan at the Centre for Rheumatic Diseases in Glasgow. His wife Martha Ellen Brown Stephens accompanied him.

Pursues Fellowship at Harvard

Ken Korach, '73, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Korach of Augusta, was recently chosen to pursue a post-doctoral fellowship at Harvard Medical School.

He completed his PhD in the field of endocrinology before leaving for Harvard where he will spend two years working in the department of Biological Chemistry.

During his study at MCG under Dr. Thomas Muldoon, he has published two papers on endocrinology and expects to have two more published shortly. His father, Samuel Korach, is departmental manager for the department of Surgery at MCG.

Martha June Kirkland, '73, has "won her wings" and is now a stewardess with Delta Air Lines. She completed the four-week training course at Delta's Stewardess School at the Atlanta Airport and is now based in Atlanta.

1974 Gifted Teacher Award

The American College of Cardiology has given its 1974 Gifted Teacher Award to **Dr. J. Willis Hurst,** 44, professor and chairman of the Department of Medicine at Emory University School of Medicine.

The 5,800-member society presented the award to Dr. Hurst at its 23rd annual scientific session in New York City Feb. 13.

Dr. Hurst, a widely known cardiologist and medical educator, served in 1972 as president of the American Heart Association.

He is the author of many books and scientific articles on heart and blood vessel diseases and The Heart, a book he edited, is a standard textbook in this country and is now in its third edition.

Dr. Hurst, co-author of two books on the problem-oriented system of medical practice and medical education, graduated in 1944 from the Medical College of Georgia and was valedictorian. His internship and residency training were at the University Hospital in Augusta.

Dentistry

Douglas P. Clepper, '73, is now in the practice of general dentistry in Augusta.
C. Thomas Graham, '73, is in association with Dr. Paul W. Lee in Waycross.
Richard W. Teets, '73, is in the Army and is stationed at Fort Jackson, S.C.

Nursing

Linda McNair McFarland, '59, is the Nurse Coordinator of the Hospitalwide Education Program, Appalachian Education Project, which is funded by the HEW.
Nancy Owens Mehaffey, '66, of Atlanta, announces the birth of a son, John Bailey Mehaffey, January 14, 1974.
Emily Manly Bronstein, '67, is teaching in a diploma School of Nursing in Chicago. Her husband, Alan, is a dental student at the University of Illinois.
June H. Larrabee, '68, is a surgical clinical specialist for two forty-two bed surgery units at the University Hospital of Jacksonville.
Velma McInnis Edmonds, '68, is presently serving as AMA-ERF Chairman for Mobile County Medical Society Auxiliary. She will serve as 1st Vice President for 1974.
Judy Kent Davidson, '69, received her

Masters of Nursing from Emory University in 1971 and is now teaching medical surgical nursing at Columbus College. She has an 18 month old son.
Helen Atwood Hendricks, '69, is working as a part-time medical-surgical nurse at Button Gwinnett Hospital in Lawrenceville. She and her husband, Jim, have 2 children, Cindy, 3 yrs. and Michelle, 1½ yrs.
Sylvia Squires Britt, '70, is teaching maternal-infant nursing at Jefferson State Jr. College in Birmingham.
Grayce Gerlock, '71, is working as an RN in the Emergency Room at Parkland Memorial Hospital in Dallas, Tex.
Patricia R. Cook, '71, is working as Health Occupations Coordinator for Manpower Training Programs in Augusta. She has a 20 month old daughter.
Linda Stanly Warner, '71, lives in Corpus Cristi, Texas and she and her husband, George, have one son.
Sheryl Billihetti, '71, lives in Atlanta. She and her husband, Frank, have one daughter.
Linda Roberson Pannell, '71, is practicing private duty nursing in Tampa, Fla.
Kay Krewer Bailey, '71, is living in Thailand with her husband Lt. **Thomas Bailey** (Med. '72).
Joyce Crowe, '71, has moved back to Liberty, S.C. after having completed her masters at Emory University in 1972.
Suzette D. Huie, '71, is working at the Upson County Hospital in Thomaston as a staff nurse in the intensive care unit.
Janice R. Jenkins, '71, of Ft. Benning, announces the birth of a baby boy, Christopher David, June 30, 1973.
Susan Hardin, '72, has been serving as a 2nd Lt. in the Air Force since November 1973. She was recently transferred to Wilford Hall Medical Center, Lackland AFB, Texas.
Kay Almond, '73, is presently employed at Doctors Hospital in Augusta as a staff nurse in O.R.

Dr. Ollie O. McGahee, Jr. '58 of Jesup is Georgia's Family Physician of the Year. He received the award during the recent annual meeting of the Medical Association of Georgia in Savannah.

The award is given annually for excellence in service to medicine and to the community and the recipient is chosen by the board of directors of the Georgia Academy of Family Physicians. He is the immediate past president of the academy.

Dr. McGahee served a residency in Macon and established his practice in Jesup in 1961.

The Augusta native also received a certificate of appreciation from the Medical Association of Georgia for chairing the Experimental Medical Care Review Organization Committee, which is reviewing the quality of care being given to patients.

Allied Health Sciences

Dental Hygiene

Nancy M. Payne, '71, recently moved to Va. Her husband, **Donald J. Payne,** '74, received his DMD degree from MCG and is now commissioned as a Lt. USN Dental Corps, in Norfolk, Va.

Radiologic Technology

Gerald E. Martin, '72, is planning to be married to Miss Rosemary Guyer of Kokomo, Ind. on June 15, 1974.
Michael J. Grieco, '73, is the chairman director of Radiologic Technology at College Misiricordia in Dallas, Pa. He is also attending the University of Scranton pursuing a Masters' degree.

Medical Illustration

Joel Ito, '65, is chief medical illustrator at Oregon Regional Primate Research Center. He and his wife, **Joyce Murakami Ito,** (Medical Records '65) have a year old daughter, Shelby Ayn.
A. Harry Germagian, '57, is a preceptor for the newly established summer internship program for medical art students at the VA hospital and medical center in Birmingham. Mr. Germagian has been with the VA and UAB Medical Center for 16 years and is the Chief of Medical Illustration Service of the VA Hospital.

Medical Record Administration

Ann Dicks Hart, '64, is chief medical record administrator at West Paces Ferry Hospital in Atlanta.
Dr. and Mrs. Forrest **(Peggy Atkinson,** '64) Gilmore live at 10513 Moonlight Way, Village Station, Ky. with their son Gregory. Peggy is not currently working in medical records but is enjoying being a mother and homemaker.
Bob and Barbara O'Laughlin **(Meinders,** '65) are now living at 5827 Cherrywood Terrace, #204, Greenbelt, Md. Bob is attending the University of Maryland and Barbara is working in Bethesda as the director of the medical record department in a 350-bed hospital.
Harriet Holloman, '66 (Dr. and Mrs. Al Hollingsworth) are still in Durham, N.C. and are looking forward to Al's going to Charlotte to continue his residency in pathology. Harriet has been working in small hospitals and nursing homes as a medical record consultant. They will move in July.
Sue Coffman, '66, is happily situated in a Miami hospital and lives at 7240 SW 83rd Street Plaza, Miami.
Dr. and Mrs. George Kitchens **(Faye Thompson,** '67) are living at 3416 Kings Arm Street, Memphis, Tenn., where George is completing his residency. Polly Kitchens is looking forward to a new brother or sister in the near future.
The Shecks, Paul, **Molly,** '67, and Shirley, are living in Jacksonville, Fla., where Molly is the chief medical record administrator at the Medical Center Hospital.
Dr. and Mrs. Larry Willis **(Martha Whitfield,** '68) have carefully planned their future. After the Alaskan tour and a period of time spent in Rochester, Minn., where Larry completes his residency in ophthalmology in June '74 at the Mayo Clinic, they will be moving to Morganton, N.C. where Larry will begin private practice in ophthalmology. Their first baby is expected in early May.
Jeanne Morton Dicasali, '69, is now at Piedmont Hospital in Atlanta working as an assistant medical record administrator with Candace Allen, '68.
Johnette Cummins, '70, has recently moved to Dalton where she is medical records administrator at Hamilton Memorial Hospital.
Margie Hendrix, '70, joined Greenville Hospital System as department head at

Greenville General Hospital on February 8, 1974.

Carol Jean Berry, '70, has moved to Nashville, Tenn. to take the position of a medical records consultant with the Tenn. Hospital Association. She was previously at Cabarrus Memorial Hospital in Concord, N.C.

Robert A. Boudet, '70, was promoted to Chairman of the Medical Division in the School of Allied Health Sciences, Greenville Technical Education Center, Greenville, S.C.

Congratulations are in order for **Linda Harmon,** '70, on her recent marriage to Mr. Gary Lynn Culp. Linda is chief medical record administrator at the Parkersburg, W.Va. Hospital.

David and **Virginia Wade,** '71, are living in Cocoa Beach, Fla., where Ginnie is employed at the Cape Canaveral Hospital.

John and **Virginia Daniell,** '71, are now living in Rome, Ga. where John is working with the Division of Human Resources.

We are delighted that **Debbie Miller,** '71, is beginning to work on her Masters at Lynchburg College and is presently teaching in a technician's program in Lynchburg, Va.

Wendi Blinski, '72, is happily situated in a Miami hospital and lives at 8290 Sunset Drive, Miami.

Linda Hornsby Benford, '72, is director of medical records at Memorial Hospital of Jacksonville, Fla. Linda is in the process of implementing a new automated hospital information system and is a new bride.

Gayle Clarkson, '72, is working in Mercy Hospital in Birmingham, Ala. and can be reached at 1325-C 34th Street, Birmingham.

Carol Johnson, '73, lives at 300 Fourth Avenue, NW Waterton, S.C. 57201. Carol is working in a hospital there and is excited about her new position.

Launa Graham, '73, is with EMCRO in Atlanta and lives at 201 Copeland Road, N.E.

Phronsie Horton, '73, is happily situated in Richmond, Va. and lives at the Gateway Apts. #61 Gateway East. She is presently working at St. Mary's Hospital.

Distinguished Fellow of the American College of Allergists

J. Warrick Thomas, '34, long-time Richmond, Va. allergist, was named a Distinguished Fellow of the American College of Allergists during its 30th Annual Congress here recently.

According to the College, the award is not bestowed every year, but "reserved for truly outstanding service to the practice of clinical allergy." Dr. Thomas was president of that national organization of clinical allergists in 1952, chairman of its Board of Directors in 1953, and is a member of the editorial board of Annals of Allergy, the official journal of the College.

Dr. Thomas founded The Thomas Clinic in Richmond in 1948, and continues as its director, limiting his practice to allergy, pulmonary diseases and internal medicine.

A native of Tennille, Ga., he received a B.S. degree in 1930 from the University of Georgia and the M.D. degree in 1934 from the Medical College of Georgia.

Dr. Thomas, a pioneer in the clinical evaluation of antihistamines, is the author of scientific articles on clinical allergy. While head of the Department of Allergy of the Cleveland (Ohio) Clinic from 1939-1944, he was editor of the medical textbook, Allergy and Clinical Practice, published by Lippincott.

Currently he is assistant clinical professor in Clinical Medicine at the Medical College of Virginia and a staff member of seven Richmond hospitals. He and his wife, the former Norma Busbee, are the parents of three children: Charilla Ann, John Warwick, Jr., and Michael Lee.

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